

Tuesday, February 24, 2009

House Meets At...	Votes Predicted At...
10:30 a.m. For Morning Hour 12:00 p.m. For Legislative Business Unlimited "One-minutes" Per Side	Last vote: 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Any anticipated Member absences for votes this week should be reported to the Office of the Majority Whip at 226-3210.

Floor Schedule and Procedure

- The House Floor will be cleared at approximately 5:00 p.m. to allow a security sweep of the House Chamber prior to the President's address. The House will meet again at approximately 8:35 p.m. in a joint meeting with the Senate for the purpose of receiving an address from the President of the United States.
- **Suspension Bills:** Today, the House will consider several bills on the Suspension calendar. Bills considered on the Suspension calendar are debatable for 40 minutes; may not be amended; and require a two-thirds vote for passage. If a recorded vote is requested, it will be postponed.
 1. **H.Res. 18** - Recognizes the life, achievements and contributions of Paul Newman (Rep. Cohen – Oversight and Government Reform)
 2. **H.Res. 83** - Recognizing the significance of Black History Month (Rep. Al Green – Oversight and Government Reform)
 3. **S. 234** - Designates the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2105 East Cook Street in Springfield, Illinois, as the "Colonel John H. Wilson, Jr. Post Office Building". (Sen. Durbin – Oversight and Government Reform)
- **Postponed Suspension Votes:**
 1. **H.R. 80** - Captive Primate Safety Act (Rep. Blumenauer – Natural Resources)
 2. **H.R. 637** - South Orange County Recycled Water Enhancement Act (Rep. Calvert – Natural Resources)

Quote of the Day

“Now is the accepted time, not tomorrow, not some more convenient season. It is today that our best work can be done and not some future day or future year. It is today that we fit ourselves for the greater usefulness of tomorrow. Today is the seed time, now are the hours of work, and tomorrow comes the harvest and the playtime.”

- W.E.B. Du Bois

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